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C O N F I D E N T I A L TAIPEI 4654

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SUBJECT: FENG YAO-TSENG NAMED AS NEW ROC AMBASSADOR TO THE  
CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

1. FENG YAO-TSENG (PREFERRED FENG YUEH-TSENG), CURRENTLY DIRECTOR OF THE EUROPEAN AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, HAS BEEN NAMED ROC AMBASSADOR TO THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC, REPLACING WANG CHI-CHENG WHO WILL BE RETURNING TO TAIPEI FOR HOME ASSIGNMENT. THE 51-YEAR OLD FENG IS A FRENCH-SPEAKING, VETERAN DIPLOMAT WITH THREE PREVIOUS AFRICAN TOURS; CAMEROON, DAHOMEY AND CHAD (AS AMBASSADOR). OUR RECORDS ON FENG ARE SCANTY, BUT A 1965 EMBASSY COTONOU REPORT WRITTEN AT THE CONCLUSION OF FENG'S TWO-YEAR TOUR AS ROC CHARGE D'MAFFAIRES IN DAHOMEY DESCRIBES HIM AS "ONE OF THE MOST PERSONABLE AND POPULAR MEMBERS OF THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS". IN DAHOMEY HE MAINTAINED WIDE-RANGING CONTACTS AMONG LOCAL OFFICIALS AND WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR SENDING A STEADY STREAM OF DAHOMEAN LEADRS ON VISITS TO TAIWAN. HE IS DESCRIBED AS HAVING A HIGH REGARD FOR THE US AND MAINTAINED CLOSE RELATIONS WITH THE AMERICAN EMBASSY COTONOU FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXCHANGING INFORMATION ON IMPORTANT POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS.

2. BIO-DATA: A. FENG YAO-TSENG (PREFERRED FENG YUEH-  
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TSENG) (AKA MARTIN FENG) #7458/3613/2582). DPOB: CANTON,

CHINA, JULY 11, 1923. FENG'S WIFE IS FROM HONG KONG  
AND THEY HAVE THREE CHILDREN.

B. LANGUAGES: IN ADDITION TO CHINESE MANDARKIN AND  
CANTONESE, FENG SPEAKS EXCELLENT FRENCH (AS A RESULT  
OF FIVE YEARS SCHOOLING IN FRANCE) AND RELATIVELY GOOD  
ENGLISH.

C. EDUCATION: BA, YENCHING U. (POLITICAL SCIENCE);  
LL.D., U. OF PARIS.

D. IMPORTANT POSITIONS: ASST., TREATY DEPT., MOFA  
(57-59); 2ND SECRETARY, ROC EMBASSY, BEIRUT, LEBANON  
(59-60); 1ST SEC., EMBASSY, YAOUNDE, CAMEROON (61-62)  
:#-4&3 \$'AFFAIRES, EMBASSY, DAHOMEY (62-64); D/DIR.,  
DEPT OF AFRICAN AFFAIRS, MOFA (65); AMBASSADOR TO CHAD  
(65-73); DIR., MOFA DEPT. OF EUROPEAN AFFAIRS (73-74).

E. PUBLICATIONS: THE HISTORICAL SITUATION OF FORMOSA  
AND THE PROBLEM OF THE PRESENT STATUS (LOCAL FILES DO  
NOT INDICATE DATE OF PUBLICATION, BUT IS PRE-1965.  
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